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Current quarantine measures.

[Translated in this Bureau from the "Veröffentlichungen des Kaiserlichen Gesundheitsamtes," Berlin, April 6, 1898.]

PLAGUE.

TURKEY.—The International Council of Health at Constantinople resolved, March 24, that the port of Lith shall serve as port of departure for the pilgrimage to Mecca, instead of that of Djiddah. This resolution shall be carried out as follows:

1. The town of Djiddah shall be completely isolated.
2. Residents of Djiddah who desire to make the pilgrimage must undergo a twelve days' quarantine, with disinfection at the lazaretto of Abou Saad.
3. All pilgrim vessels arriving from ports north of Suez Canal, and also from the south and Camaran, shall discharge their pilgrims at the port of Lith, from which point they shall take the direct land route to Mecca.
4. Departures from Djiddah shall undergo a ten days' quarantine at the lazaretto ports of Tripoli, in Africa, Beirut, and Smyrna.
5. The export from Djiddah of articles capable of diffusing plague infection is prohibited. Provisions which have been already collected at Djiddah for the pilgrimage, such as rice, dates, petroleum, and food supplies generally, shall be allowed free export, but in future such supplies shall be laded at Lith instead of Djiddah.
6. A commission, consisting of 3 physicians, the general inspector of sanitation being in charge, shall repair immediately to Djiddah. The general inspector shall have full authority for the organization of the service. Physicians shall be sent to Lith and Yambo.

EGYPT.—The ministerial council, under the presidency of the Khedive, resolved on March 12, in case of an outbreak of plague in the Hedjaz, to use every means to prevent the return of pilgrims to Egypt until the suppression of the epidemic. Every Egyptian who intends to make the pilgrimage must pledge himself in writing to remain at the Hedjaz during the prevalence of the epidemic, and shall show that he possesses means for the outgoing and incoming voyage and maintenance during six months at the Hedjaz for himself and those belonging to him. The authorities shall strictly impress these requirements on all intending pilgrims.

The standing commission of the International Sanitary Council at Alexandria resolved, on March 25, to put the pilgrim regulations in force against arrivals from Djiddah.

SMALLPOX.

DANISH ANTILLES.—Quarantine for arrivals from Mayaguez in Puerto Rico is removed from March 19.

JAMAICA.

Sanitary report from Kingston.

CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Kingston, Jamaica, April 16, 1898.

SIR: Pursuant to your instructions, I reported to Consul L. A. Dent for temporary duty at this place and immediately made an examination of the city and of its sanitary condition, finding both most satisfactory.